

## **MONTGOMERY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

### **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 4, 2014**

The meeting of the Montgomery Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors was called to order with a quorum present by Mr. Kirk Jones at 7:00 p.m., Monday, August 4, 2014 at the Montgomery City Hall, 101 Old Plantersville Road, Montgomery, Texas.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Kirk Jones, Russell Skinner, Cheryl Fox, Dave McCorquodale, Julia Wall, and Bob Kerr.

#### **ABSENT:**

Bill Hanover

#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Bill Kotlan, Shannan Reid, Dr. Tim Gardner, Mayor John Fox and Erik Smith

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Public Comment.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JULY 7, 2014**

Mr. Kerr made a motion to approve the minutes of July 7, 2014 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. McCorquodale and approved unanimously.

#### **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Kotlan presented the financial report for June 2014. Mr. Kerr moved approval of the financial report as presented. Mr. McCorquodale seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ROPOSAL BY SIGNS, ETC., INC.  
FOR PROMOTIONAL SIGN FOR MONTGOMERY BUSINESS DISTRICT**

Mr. Kotlan presented a proposal by Montgomery Signs Etc., Inc. for \$41,500 for a promotional sign at the corner of Liberty and Eva. The board discussed the value of promoting the historic business district and city notices and events with the sign and its electronic message board. Mr. Kotlan noted that a budget amendment was necessary to approve the sign that would be approved by city council. Ms. Fox moved that the corporation approve the sign project and direct Mr. Kotlan to present a budget amendment to city council and Ms. Reid to review and approve the specifications of the sign. Ms. Wall seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSAL BY NEON CLOUD  
PRODUCTIONS, LLC TO CREATE A PROMOTIONAL VIDEO FOR MONTGOMERY  
FOR \$7,000.**

Ms. Reid presented the proposal for services related to create a video promoting the City of Montgomery. The video would include aerial video of the city and would be used to attract developers and new businesses to the city. Mr. McCorquodale moved approval of the expenditure and Mr. Kerr seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSAL BY A&H ELECTRIC  
FOR INSTALLATION OF ELECTRICAL OUTLETS ALONG MCCOWN FOR USE IN  
CITY FESTIVALS FOR \$5,757.**

Mr. Smith presented the proposal and stated that the project had been approved in a prior meeting without the road bore expense. Mr. McCorquodale moved approval of the expenditure and Ms. Wall seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT FOR DR. GARDNER RELATED TO THE EXTENSION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO HIS PROPERTY.**

Dr. Gardener recounted a number of unexpected expenses related including the extension of power for the development of his medical office building on Lone Star Parkway. He is requesting a grant of \$30,000 based on the taxable value and employees that will be located at this office. Dr. Gardner estimated that he will relocate some employees from Conroe and will hire additional employees from the local area. There was discussion regarding the extension of the power lines to the site. Mr. Jones moved approval of the economic development grant for \$30,000 and Ms. Fox seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST TO EXTEND WATER AND SEWER FACILITIES ALONG SH 105 EAST IN CONNECTION WITH RAMPY PROPERTY ANNEXATION.**

Mr. Kotlan presented a request by Mr. Steve Hailey for the corporation to fund utility extensions related a proposed annexation at the intersection of SH 105 and Lone Star Parkway. After some discussion regarding the project and schedule. Board members stated they believed the project was potentially the type of project that MEDC would fund and directed staff to include develop a cost estimate for consideration at a future meeting. No action was taken.

**CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT TO KEVIN BARNES RELATED TO IMPROVEMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL BUILDING AT COLLEGE AND MCCOWN.**

Mr. Kotlan presented Mr. Barnes written request to the board and recommended against reimbursing normal development costs. Ms. Wall moved to deny the request and Mr. McCorquodale seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

## **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SETTING PRIORITIES FOR PROPOSED FY 2015 BUDGET**

Mr. Kotlan presented a draft FY 2015 budget for consideration by the board. Several of the items had been discussed in previous budget discussions. Board members directed Mr. Kotlan to add a line item for water and sewer extensions along SH 105 East for consideration in September. No action was taken on the budget.

## **REPORTS ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROJECTS**

Mr. Kotlan and Ms. Reid gave brief reports on the status of commercial projects.

## **ADJOURN**

Mr. McCorquodale made a motion to adjourn at 9:00 pm. Mr. Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.